Reluctance in speaking.
Do not know the language
of the art - know little of
systematic education -
Consented - partly because
united in ~~such~~ a sort of
urgency that made it
seem ingratitude to refuse
Spartly because ~~of the~~
~~it seemed possible~~ that
~~the~~ I feel very strongly
that what you are
doing here has a
strong relation to certain
problems in which I
have always been interested.
I ~~[illegible]~~ I which I have never

seen very satisfactory - sense of
~~Intensity~~
~~The industry~~
~~[illegible] in going about among~~
~~the~~ Those problems relate
to the lives & work of
the mass of our people.
Longer I live the more I
believe in the need that
if men & women are to
live ~~[illegible]~~ normal lives - ~~[illegible]~~ they
must have something in
them that feeds the
inner need of beauty &
of quality - [illegible] at it.
~~[illegible]~~ Few have it -
few are conscious of it.
all have it -

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3.

It is one of those unrecognized needs in human beings =

It is the failure even to have that need ~~[illegible]~~ recognized ~~feed~~ - to be shown where ~~they~~ how it can be feed ~~they~~ that - helps in the hardening & mutilating of men & women.

The sense of the beauty of things - the habit of looking for beauty & seeking it as something you need to make your day complete -

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has a ~~[illegible]~~ great deal to do with the happiness of human beings. We all know that.

~~In~~ Among men & women of hard nothing means him it exists & thousands of them ~~in~~ unconsciously feed it.

Have you now noticed boys & girls ~~[illegible]~~ noticing an complete absorption & content some beautiful spirit -

Fountains - flowers - water -

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Deeding their sense of beauty -
Perfectly unconscious.
See it the Gallery -
See it in country -
One of the lovely things
country life has on
people & while they
do not understand is
that it is a continually
feast in beauty -
the sky - the night - with its
stair of the changing
season - the fogs - the
sunshine - the snow -
They have it & they never

lose their love for it.
It does something to
them - helps keep them
steady - content - decent.
~~Now ponder the fore~~
In great cities & ~~in~~
industrial centers -
~~the~~ as things now are ~~in~~
~~the~~ the difficulty of putting
a note of beauty over
to ~~the~~ men & women in
~~Enormous~~ -
~~the~~ Nothing again mean
our lamentable & pacing
houses - go to pacific
Quite as ugly -
Unconsciously ugly -
a mind of dreary [illegible]

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place -
Schools give nothing to
young - do not know
how - do not recognize
need. Do know child
must - have food - cover
shelter - certain tools
like reading writing applying
training in manners &
music - vocational training
Amused & feed sense
of beauty & quality.
It must be supplied
for normal development -
Trying to meet it -

Trying in school house -
Last summer I had a
accumulation of wheat &
meat - which relieved
me immensely - For several
weeks going daily to a
hospital in Upper Man.
passed a school - home
of fine light lines - a
pleasure to see -
Cost opening on dist -
Here teacher came for
out-door garden - 2
hundred little children -
from tenements - near - such
hopy places -

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9.

Sit gazing at sunset - getting something they had never had - real beauty -
Unconscious influence - like a soothing hand -
- you seen it in the crowds of children you conduct - must have -
Can't see the result but it is there -
Need of it -
~~Con~~ Two ways at which the mouth ~~you~~ you do angle to ~~reach~~ aim

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first -
That beauty is not an affair only of museum public buildings - try to realize it in everything that pertains to them as individual -
Particularly that it does not mean money - arrying the association there is between beauty -
I worry in mind of ~~all~~ - Can't have anything beautiful because it costs so much -

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See beauty wherever it is - The thing that has given me the most exquisite pleasure in the last six months - a thing of ~~something~~ I piled up in walking I ~~[illegible]~~ the modules of such arrangement ~~[illegible]~~ from the color of such bulbous that I carried it with me for days posting over it: Beauty is an affair of color-form - of adaptation to need -

Enjoy it wherever it is Looking for it - rejoicing in it -

~~Have it~~ in

~~Relation~~

Desire of quality - -

Gran question - indifference to ~~both~~ quality - you may have unfortunate effects without quality - not beauty

Practically ignored in large scale production in this country -

Mole - cotton wash -

Cotton - knipled with starch

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Sitter -

Ingenuity - in turning out
Quantities - of attractive
things of little or no mate.

Quality - is a moral issue.
Complaint - that -
Mitigating people are dishonest
Meat - can you expect of
men & women asked to
make cloth to be sold
as pure wool - 3/4 of
which is cotton
~~Cotton~~ - Loose meaning of

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Lose all sense of ethical
value -
Pleasure & pride in quality -
Defenders said.

Redemption of Am Industry -
in this way -
Conscience in Quality - -

Long way - true but it is
the [illegible] way - & that
little way in [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] in a [illegible] - [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] - [illegible] - [illegible] -
Attempt to make good things
popular